## ABSTRACT

An immunological latex turbidimetry method for analyzing an antigen or antibody in a sample, comprising steps of:

- (1) bringing a sample which may contain the antigen or antibody to be analyzed into contact with a protease-treated albumin; and
- (2) bringing a mixture obtained in the above step (1) into contact with latex particles carrying an antibody or antigen specifically reacting with the antigen or antibody to be assayed, and analyzing a turbidity caused by a latex agglutination reaction, is disclosed. Further, an immunological latex turbidimetry reagent comprising (1) a first component containing a protease-treated albumin, and (2) a second component containing latex particles carrying an antibody or antigen specifically reacting with an antigen or antibody to be assayed is also disclosed.

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